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The Sultan acts like a man who dreads an attack of Hay fever.

All kinds of prosperity appears to be headed for the south. Now it is a cotton crop better than for years and far above the ten years' average.

John Temple Graves says the race problem will be solved only when the negro is restored to the "bounds of his habitation." But who will do it?

The money that Sir Thomas Linton spends with us is about all we get back of the large sums carried over to England by millionaire brides of English titles.

Recent reports from the Philippines indicate that pacification is far from complete. Why doesn't the government try its famous Indian policy on the Philippines?

If the Alaskan boundary tribunal now in session fails to settle the question, there will be nothing left to be done but to fight it out unless somebody backs down.

Secretary Shaw announces that he has \$40,000,000 of spare cash belonging to Uncle Sam, in his charge, even after the postoffice grafters had been looting the treasury for years. Truly, we have a great country.

A St. Louis paper announces that the city jail is crowded to the doors. Perhaps this accounts for the fact that it has been found impossible, so far, to put any of the hoodlums behind the gratings.

After the opposition newspapers in Ohio had it all settled that Colonel Bryan had rekindled Clarke's senatorial candidacy, the colonel upon the arrangement by declaring that Clarke is entirely satisfactory to him.

The supply of American heiresses still appears to exceed that of English dukes. Two more of these titled individuals have been spoken for recently. May Goelet secures one and Gladys Deacon the other. It seems that the surplus wealth of this country must end an outlet.

The directors and officers of the New Jersey street railway who have been on trial on a charge of responsibility for the death of nine high school pupils in an accident on their road have been acquitted. Probably nobody expected any other result. It is the regular thing.

If Secretary Shaw can devise some plan for expanding the currency as business conditions demand, he need not worry about the contraction end of it. The country never has had too much money and probably never will have more than can be utilized. The rule that more money makes more business generally can be relied on.

The Journal of the American Medical Association has had a careful census made, and made that the cost of the latest celebration of Independence Day to the American people in wounds and deaths was as follows: Injuries, 4,449; deaths, 466. Of the deaths 406 were caused by tetanus. Ninety-five eyes were destroyed and ten persons made totally blind.

It is queer that the railroads did not discover that the cattle trade was in such a demoralized condition and that the people were having difficulty in securing cars prior to the reappearance of the attorneys before the railroad commissioners. It may be that the representatives of the railroads concluded that the people might find out how badly they are being treated by the railroads in the matter of freight rates if the hearing was continued.

R. G. Dun & Co. report \$12 commercial failures in the United States in August, involving a total indebtedness of \$10,877,782. In the corresponding month last year there were 840 bankruptcies, but the liabilities were only \$8,065,325. Manufacturing failures were 241 in number and \$7,749,655 in amount, against 213 last year for \$7,762,180. In trading there were 544 defaults with aggregate liabilities of \$2,946,352, compared with 580 in August, 1902, when the sum involved was \$3,324,153. In other com-

mercial lines, not properly embraced by the two principal classes, there were 27 failures for \$182,745, while in the corresponding month last year there occurred 47 defaults of this nature, and the liabilities amounted to \$1,973,187. Of banks and other fiduciary institutions eight suspended with liabilities of \$571,075, and last year the four similar defaults covered \$1,198,750. Thus, it appears by this partial analysis, that in the manufacturing industries alone were the losses more severe than in the corresponding month last year. Moreover, when the examination is carried into further detail, the result is still more encouraging. Practically all the excess over the losses in August, 1902, was provided by a few large failures in iron and machinery, and in the other manufacturing branches the showing was as good if not better than last year.

FREIGHT RATE PROBLEM.

If the testimony given by the shippers concerning comparative rates in the cattle trade hearing before the state board of railroad commissioners is correct, Kansas shippers are paying more than their proportion of the profits which are now being made by the railroads. The freight rates in Kansas, it is alleged by the shippers, are considerably higher than the rates in other states. This is, of course, disputed by the railroad companies, although the shippers' figures appear correct on their faces.

The increase which the roads proposed, while it may not have been very great in the aggregate, as the railroad companies alleged, was still an increase, and coming at a time when the cattle business is demoralized anyway, the cattlemen felt that they have a just grievance against the roads.

But the cattlemen are not the only ones who have grievances against the railroads. Freight rates of all classes seem to be higher in Kansas than elsewhere. And if the state board of railroad commissioners actually has power to bring about an equitable adjustment of freight rates the people of the state will feel a great relief.

The grain producers are really hit worse than the cattle shippers. There is far less risk in shipping grain than in shipping cattle—it is "dead" freight, and the cars go loaded in both directions—yet the railroads charge far more for hauling a hundred pounds of grain from many stations in Kansas to Kansas City than they do for hauling the same weight of cattle.

For instance, the freight rate on wheat from Salina, on the eastern edge of the wheat belt, to Kansas City is 3 cents a bushel. The average car of wheat contains a thousand bushels. That means that the railroads charge \$30 for hauling a single carload of wheat from Salina to Kansas City, and the car goes back filled with farm implements or merchandise, at perhaps even higher rates.

This grain rate comes directly out of the former who raises the grain, but he does not feel it as does the cattle shipper. The grain buyer simply deducts the freight from the Kansas City price of grain, takes out his profit, and that fixes the price of grain for the farmer. If the freight were less the farmer would get just that much more for his average, so he in reality pays the freight.

The average rate on wheat from the wheat belt to Kansas City is probably not less than 30 cents a bushel, so that the farmers of Kansas are paying about \$100 a car freight on every car of wheat that is shipped to Kansas City. There will probably be not less than 60 million bushels shipped, either as wheat or in the form of flour, so that the railroads will receive about six million dollars for hauling wheat and flour alone, to say nothing of bringing their cars back loaded with merchandise, on which they may receive a still higher rate.

Let the people awake to the situation and demand an equitable adjustment of freight rates.

END OF THE YACHT RACE.

There is one good thing in connection with the international yacht race and that is that it is over. Since the first race it has been evident to every one that the Shamrock was outclassed and had no more chance in a race with the Reliance than a Clydesdale horse would have with a thoroughbred.

Sir Thomas Linton is a most agreeable gentleman and it is said sells a very good quality of tea but with all his amiability he must feel that even if he gets all his money back he has spent on his yachts, by an increased demand for his tea in America, that he has made a very poor out at trying to build a yacht that would compete for the cup that has been on this side of the ocean for more than 50 years.

Sir Thomas says that he is through and will make no further attempt to "lift the cup" but he probably mistakes his own mind and the chances are that he will be back in America in a few years with another yacht. But before he brings over another boat let him make tests which will determine whether it is an improvement on Shamrock III. America has had enough of these runaway races.

SLIPSHOD LEGISLATION.

There is in the statute book of the state of Kansas this provision:

"The city attorney shall attend all cases wherein the city is a party in all contracts, agreements, etc."
If the councilmen of the city of Topeka were more careful to comply with the above requirement concerning the drafting of ordinances, there would be less slipshod legislation, and it would be easy to place the responsibility for such legal monstrosities as the so-called "billiard hall ordinance" which was enacted into law recently.

Whether or not the responsibility for the passage of the billiard hall ordinance in the absurd form of its publication is due to an error of the city attorney or of the councilman from the third ward there may be some dispute. Each is trying to throw the blame on the other. But this ordinance, reeking with radicalism and supported on a fundamentally erroneous legal construction, was passed by the council, published, and its fallacy only discovered when certain billiard hall men proposed to test its provisions in the courts. Law-

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yers unanimously admit that the ordinance is legally bad to the core.

The billiard hall ordinance is only one of a large number of ordinances which might be cited which show the same kind of defective construction. A councilman has some notion of law which he desires to have passed. He talks to one or two of his friends about it perhaps, and then draws up the ordinance, which is presented to the council, passed up to a committee, reported back and adopted. If there is a little streak of political buffoonism in the ordinance, it slides through without a single question from the majority, perhaps.

Another instance which might be cited is the dollar gas ordinance. Regardless of the ultimate decision of the courts, it was a rash thing for the council to pass a dollar gas ordinance without first investigating the cost of making gas. If it should turn out the ordinance is all right, it will be a streak of good luck. If the ordinance is finally declared illegal by the courts, it will be a bit of hasty legislation which will cost the city a great many hundred dollars in court costs, expert witnesses, and attorneys' fees.

The passage of an ordinance is a serious business, and the councilmen should take more pains in the preparation of proposed legislation, providing it is honest legislation. If it is merely a grand stand play to attract popular support in politics, there should be backbone enough in the city council to relegate it to the waste basket or pigeon hole.

ATHLETICS AT WASHBURN.

With the collegiate term at Washburn college about to open comes the announcement of the school's hopes and plans for athletics during the three months of the football season. It will be several weeks yet before Topeka will have any football games, but in the meantime, the football athletes are working hard preparing themselves to play the game as it should be played. When the proper moment comes Topeka should be ready to show, by a liberal patronage of the games, that she is friendly to the school.

Washburn college never opened a school year under more auspicious circumstances than those surrounding now. Her quick growth upon which so much remark has been passed during the past year, is merely a transition to meet new demands and is something for which years of conservative guidance has prepared the institution. Along with her general improvement in educational facilities will doubtless be observed an elevated standard of athletics. The students of the school have tried earnestly year after year to improve their school athletics. At times great encouragement has been found while again the effort to support good football and baseball teams has been uphill business. Topeka has not, in the past, supported any athletics in the way clean college athletics should be supported, but perhaps there has been little clean college athletics.

Football is not the deadly occupation it has gained the reputation for being and it is not the dangerous amusement it once was. Public sentiment against brutal amusements has eliminated the objectionable features of the game, as it

was first played, and the rules that govern the sport in colleges are so drawn as to bar the unmanly evils that are bound to creep into any game if allowed.

To be a member of a good college football team is no longer an evidence of brute power but a testimonial of acquired skill and resource in the use of developed muscles. It is a game that teaches coolness, good nature and a love of the outdoors.

JAYHAWKER JOTS.

Frederica has brought in two new gas wells.

White hostility has been blackballed by the Esbon maids.

A half score of "skule mams" are wanted in Jewell county at once.

Words on the Seneca townsfolk hide the view from the second story windows.

A grafter at Wichita easily escaped from the sheriff. He was slicker than the soap he "gave away."

Green ponds along the streets of Anthony seem responsible for several cases of old-fashioned ague.

A Goff milliner had money to burn. At least she is under arrest charged with setting fire to her stock of goods.

A Leavenworth old bachelor hints that while the pen is mightier than the sword it isn't in it with a pretty type-writer.

Cherryvale citizens are given a cheerful invitation by the cemetery committee to take a day off and help fill up the graves.

"The Kansas Sunflower" is a thrilling romance that nods and bends in the breezes along the kerosene circuit of the northern tier.

Work on the Orient line in Harper county is being delayed on account of too few frogs to do the work. They might ship in a few negroes or Greeks.

The best load of hogs ever on the St. Joseph market was sent the past week from Nemaha county. The animals numbered 55 and averaged in weight 330 pounds.

GLOBE SIGHTS.

[From the Atchison Globe.]

In trying economy, do not tackle it too hard.

An Atchison hpd carrier is named for a famous poet.

No amount of money can save a woman from being pigeon-toed.

Another fool notion is to carry a flask of whiskey when traveling.

Give a lot of people liberty, and they soon begin taking it from each other.

There are so many "prominent" men here lately that it is hard for the papers to keep track of them.

Men who can't take care of themselves are always anxious to take big jobs, and look after the interests of others.

An Atchison editor once said of a citizen noted for giving out misleading information: "Always read that man by copy."

"Take your gun," a doctor said to a patient, "and get out into the open air." What's the matter with a hoe instead of a gun?

When a married woman who has a good many children cries at a wedding, there is always some one around to say: "Poor thing, I should think she would cry."

If a man shows a disposition to provide for old age, and avoid being a task to others, for heaven's sake let him do it. Don't accuse him of being "stingy," when he is simply exercising ordinary caution.

This is how much excitement your death will create: Lately, a popular Atchison man died very suddenly. The writer of this gave one of his neighbors and friends the first news of it, and the man said: "Is that so? Why, I didn't know he was sick. It's too bad."

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

[From the Chicago News.]

Remorse is memory that has fermented.

Most men mistake a little applause for an encore.

If a man is inclined to be foolish a silk hat won't save him.

A thing of beauty is a joy until the neighbors get on to the cost.

Some people live from hand to mouth,

but the stenographer lives from mouth to hand.

No man has any rights that his wife's relations are bound to respect.

Many a man's good reputation is due to what isn't found out about him.

Comparatively speaking, a miser's soul is smaller than a boarding house gas burner.

When the world owes a man a living it invariably settles the debt on the installment plan.

In trying to figure out the problem of life some men subtract what they own from what they owe.

REFLECTIONS OF A BACHELOR
[From the New York Press.]

When a woman does not believe in low-neck gowns the reason is always plain not to see.

A man begins to want to get married to a woman when she begins to want him to want to.

Give a man nothing and he will be thankful it was not less; give him something and he will rage because it was not more.

Women would never make good burglars because they would waste all their time looking under all the beds of every house they broke into from force of habit.

Generally when you say something to a woman that doesn't mean anything you can make her believe it was awfully wicked if you act as if you were afraid somebody else might have heard it.

Diplomacy.

The plump lady scrambled into the front seat of a Boland Park car.

The sea facing forward was filled, containing six women and one man.

So the newcomers had to sit on the other seat, facing the entire car load of passengers.

As the conductor's bell rang its starting "ding-ding," and the motorman turned on the current, the plump woman said severely to the solitary man occupying a place on the other seat:

"I think you might have been at least enough of a gentleman to offer to change places with me."

"I had carefully considered that matter, madame, before you spoke," rejoined the man, earnestly, "and had decided that for the good of all, we had better remain as we are. It would be an insult to the passengers back of us for me to sit facing them and showing my homely features after they had caught even a glimpse of your pronounced comeliness. They would resent the substitution and possibly do violence to both of us—do you understand?"

"Perfectly, my dear sir," replied she, with a smile, "and I wish to implore your pardon for having so underrated your gallantry."—Baltimore American.

Trees Shaped by the Wind.

The influence of the wind on vegetation is the subject of a report by Prof. J. Frank to Swiss geographers. The effect is powerful on trees; even the presence or absence of forests may be determined by the character of the prevailing wind or the conditions that modify it. The wind acts as a drying agent, giving a special aspect to many plants. When it is almost always from the same quarter the plants show greater development upon one side. Trees are smaller upon the windward edges of forests, and trunks and branches are bent to leeward. The deformations are most marked near the sea or in flat regions.

The cherry, plum, walnut, black poplar, ash and certain pines are very sensitive to the wind, but mountain pines and certain firs offer great powers of resistance, and these are recommended for reforesting wind-swept lands.—New York World.

Died from Typhoid.

Beatrice Charles, the 18-year-old daughter of Superintendent Charles of the Reform school, died this afternoon of typhoid fever after a sickness of 2 weeks. She lived with her parents at the Reform school.

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tion next year will meet in St. Louis. The officers elected were the old ones continued for another year. The eight hour movement, which was much discussed, was left to the discretion of the national officers.

Suit for \$10,000 Damages.

Knoxville, Tenn., Sept. 4.—Suit today was instituted by United States District Attorney William D. Wright for the government against Sheriff J. W. Fox and his bondsmen for \$10,000 damages. The government's claim is on account of the escape of Harvey Logan, the Montana train robber from the Knox county jail June 27, last.

Shaw on Fair Circuit.

Columbus, O., Sept. 4.—Secretary of the Treasury Shaw arrived here this morning. He delivered an address this afternoon at the state fair grounds.

"I heard today that your son was an undertaker. I thought you told me he was a physician."

"Not at all."

"I don't like to contradict, but I'm positive you did say so."

"You misunderstood me. I said he followed the medical profession."—Philadelphia Press.

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Unknown May Have Been a Victim of Foul Play.

Atlantic City, N. J., Sept. 4.—A corpse floating at sea was picked up today by Capt. George Quinn, of the sloop yacht Gustav Miller, and while the man may have been accidentally drowned there are marks about his head which might indicate foul play. The corpse was that of a man 50 years old, 5 feet 2 inches high, weighing about 175 pounds, and it was dressed in "jumpers," well saturated with oil, showing that he had worked about machinery.

It is believed that the body had been in the water several weeks. It is now in charge of an undertaker.

Munroe Refuses Immediate Fight

New York, Sept. 4.—Jack Munroe, of Butte, Mont., today refused an immediate fight with Jeffries, sending the following message to Manager Carey of the Century A. C. Club, Los Angeles, Cal.: "Date too soon. Will fight Jeffries in January. Not time enough to train."

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